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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2005

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Centennial Trail committee to kick start development

by Tamara Collins

A Centennial Trail system is in the works for Didsbury, and now Town Council is seeking members of the community to get involved in the project by joining a Centennial Trail Committee.

The process for the trail started when the new council was elected and they established a set of priorities which they wanted to accomplish during their term, and included in these was; to provide a municipal infrastructure that both supported and encouraged an active and healthy lifestyle for all residents, to provide positive activities for youth, to provide a "draw" for possible new residents to the Town, and to provide a pathway system that would connect all parts of the Town.

The Town was also wanting to create a Centennial project for Alberta's Centennial, that would be enduring, could be enjoyed by all residences, and reflected the enthusiasm and pride the residents of Didsbury have for the Province of Alberta. Council then decided to build a pathway system that would both circle and connect all areas of the town

all areas of the town.

"The Town of Didsbury is now setting up a committee under the Town umbrella consisting of members of the community at large and approximately three Town staff in order to initiate the development of a trail system," said Colleen Gustavson, Centennial Trail committee. "This initiative is fully backed by Town Council and we hope to get the community, schools and service/recreation groups involved."

The goal is to build a trail

The goal is to build a trail in a manner that makes it enjoyable to walk for pleasure or exercise, but laid out so that people can access Didsbury's many amenities without having to use a motor vehicle.

ing to use a motor vehicle.
"Preliminary planning has already begun and the Town



has funds earmarked for the project," said Gustavson. "The first phase of the community trail system will begin in the new Memorial Park."

The trail is to provide an opportunity for community members to walk, run, bike or crosscountry ski. It is also to promote family time, and showcase the town.

the town.

The circular pathway system will eventually connect all areas of the town, and all new subdivisions will be required to have pathway systems that connects with the circular pathway. Some already constructed sidewalks will form part of the pathway network.

pathway network.

Memorial Park will be phase one of the pathway system, and included in this phase are three proposed components, including; a pathway system on top

of the Rosebud Creek ravine within Memorial Park that will connect the proposed ball diamonds, and amphitheatre, all within the park setting. It is also proposed that this phase will be paved. The second component is a paved pathway that connects Memorial Park to the Valerosa Subdivision, and the final component is a shale pathway that meanders through the wooded ravine valley and provides an opportunity for visitors to enjoy the wooded country setting and the abundance of wildlife.

The estimated cost of the project is \$462,500. The Centennial Trail Committee will consist of; Colleen Gustavson, representing the Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board, Byron Sayer, representing the Town, two public members, a

chairperson (to be chosen by committee) and either the Town CAO Roy Brown or assistant CAO Brenda Hemming.

sistant CAO Brenda Hemming.
"The committee will mainly focus on fundraising and organizing volunteer efforts. We are actively seeking corporate and private sponsorship, and funding through grants." said Gustavson.
"Those who have a trail, recreational or relative background may find this committee very rewarding. We are also seeking individuals, or groups interested in volunteering in other aspects of the trail system."

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If you are interested in sitting on the committee you can forward a letter, stating what you would bring to it, to Town CAO Roy Brown, P.O. Box 790, Didsbury.









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Vandalism hits houses under construction

Sunday morning between a.m. and 3 a.m. vandals kicked their way into three houses under construction in the Morris Meadows subdivision in Didsbury, and destroyed walls, windows and more.

"In over 35 vears I have never had anything like this happen to me.

-Ron Boyko, **Custom Touch Homes**

The RCMP were called to investigate numerous complaints of vandalism to not only these homes, but vehicles parked in the downtown

"In over 35 years I have never had anything like this happen to me," said Ron

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Boyko, Custom Touch Homes. "My house did not even get the worst damage, Joe Anderson's house did. They kicked in the walls, pulled out heating equip-ment and broke windows."

The RCMP estimated over \$7000 of damage in total, but Boyko thinks the damage on Anderson's home alone is about

"I have four broken windows in mine, about \$2500 in damage," said Boyko. "I bet you Joe's place alone has about \$7000 in damage." Boyko is hoping someone

speaks up about who is responsible for the crime.

There was also about five vehicles vandalised," Boyko. "This is such an inconvenience to everyone. We have insurance, but the deductibles are high, this is going to come out of our pock-

If you have any information on this crime you can contact the RCMP at 335-3382.



Three houses in Didsbury's Morris Meadows were vandalised early Sunday morning, including these two houses shown above. Windows were smashed and walls kicked in, amongst other damage, after vandals kicked the doors in to enter the houses.

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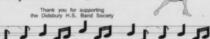
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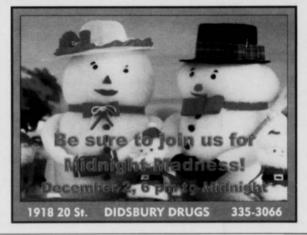


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NEWS

Family Violence- It has lasting effects-Part 2

Submitted by the Partners in Crime Prevention program of Didsbury, Carstairs and Cremona

November is Family Violence Prevention Month in Alberta. The following story is of an area resident that married into a life of family violence. Family violence happens everywhere. Say something. For your sake. For their sake. It's your business. Please call 1-866-331-3933 for more information.

At 18 years old, Sherry was very young, very naïve and very rebellious.

She moved away from home and at 18 moved in with her boyfriend in Ontario, with the control of the eight years her senior. The first year that they lived to-gether was great. Sherry says that there were no problems at all.

Then one evening she didn't cook the potatoes properly. He slapped her across the face. And so the abuse began.

Sherry says that after this episode, her boyfriend was immediately apologetic: hugging her, saying he was sorry and that it would never happen again. And it didn't ... for a couple months.

She recalls how the abuse got progressively worse as

the months went by.
"My head was his favorite target," she says. "I've lost teeth, had my nose broken four times and have been in body braces because of my broken ribs."

Sherry says that he was never drunk or under the influence of drugs when he would abuse her.

"I wish he had been drunk or high. Then there would have been an excuse for his behavior.

Anything could trigger his anger, from her not having her hair done to wearing the wrong clothes or using the wrong tone of voice. He would call her "fat, ugly, say that nobody would want me. I became very insecure. This became an everyday occurrence.

Sherry lost all her friends and he tried to keep her away from her own family. She felt extreme isolation. He would take her car keys or remove the distributor cap from her car so that she couldn't go to work at times.

This type of volatile life-style wasn't one that Sherry was used to. She grew up in was used to. She grew up in a family where there was no abuse. But, he was used to living with abuse. His father had been abusive to his mother while he had been growing up. Sherry eventually married her abuser and had two children with him.

"When they get control of ou, they control everything," Sherry says. "They control your every move, your every thought and everything you

Sherry says that this vio-lence was well-known to friends and family members. She recalls one evening when they had company over. "We were in the kitchen and he was beating the liv-ing tar out of me. His best friend came in the room and asked him to call the police. The friend just looked at me and said, 'Oh, you're busy. I'll come back.'"

She also says that her parents were aware of the abuse. "He would call my father to come and pick me up after he'd beat me up. My parents would come and pick our kids up from the hos-

When Sherry would con-tact the police she says they "thought it was a joke. They never did anything about it. This abuse was very well-known to the police. My doctor would phone the police after every incident."

She explains that much of

the abuse from her husband was done to her mentally. "Mental abuse lasts forever It doesn't matter what situa-tion you are in. The bruises go away, but what's inside your head never does."

After eight years of living with her husband and his violent ways, Sherry finally left She had a nervous break down, went into treatment and had her children taken away from her. The children, aged 2 ½ and 5 years old, were left to be raised by their

Sherry says that her exhusband wouldn't let her go easily. She says that she had a bodyguard for the six months following her leaving him, and that he followed her everywhere and was con-stantly threatening her. "I'd look around and he'd be

She moved out of town and eventually he left her alone. Sherry says that he did become physically and mentally abusive to their two children, which still affects them in adulthood. She says her son, now 24 years old, has become abusive to-wards women. "He's very much like his father. His attitude about women is pretty much like his dads. It's definitely a learned behavior my kids grew up with it."

Since leaving, Sherry has began to take care of her-self. She's been in counselling for over 20 years. She says, "talking about it helps. Holding it in doesn't.





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She's helped to set up a women's shelter in British Columbia. She worked there, counsel abused helped women and would go to court with the residents to face their abusers. Sherry says that domestic violence hap-pens to people in all walks of life and that she can now easily recognize a woman who is being abused. "She has dull, empty eyes. It's like the life is drained right out of them. It's like slowly taking the flame off a candle. Even-

tually the light goes out.'

Sherry believes that talking about her past is the best way to heal herself. "I have nothing to be ashamed of. Everyone hears me loud and clear. I make no bones about it," she says. "The more I talk about it the better I feel. If victims don't talk about it, they're victims. If they do talk about it, they're survivors.'

She says that family violence is a huge issue in Didsbury. "It's so hard. Peo-ple really don't want to hear it. It's in their backyards and they don't want to see it,"
Sherry says. "It's not alright to
do in society. There is too
much violence in the world. Home should be a safe place for everybody."

for everybody."

Sherry advises anyone involved in domestic violence to seek out help. "Get help. Talk to a friend. Don't keep quiet because it won't get better. It only gets worse. It's all about power and control."

If you or someone you know is a victim of family violence. Please contact your

lence, please contact your local RCMP detachment.

TOWN OF DIDSBURY

Council Highlights – November 8, 2005

- Council passed Bylaw 05-11 Economic Development Committee. It will be the job of the Economic Development Committee to begin working with the Town of Didsbury Business Plan and formulate strategies to help achieve the goals out-lined by Council. Members of the public are asked to sit on this com-mittee as Members-atlarge.
- Council passed amendments to Bylaw 04-04 Water & Sewer to specifically address the proper installation and use of sump pumps and the discharge of storm water in the sewer system.
- The domestic water heater in the curling rink has become plugged with corrosion. Council ap-proved for its replace-

- · Concerns regarding the trees in Kinsmen Park were brought forth from a resident. Council has agreed to remove and re-place as many trees in Kinsmen Park as possible for the budget amount.
- Council approved the I.T. (Information Technology) Assessment and that a ogy/ Assessment and that a yearly replacement budget of up to \$10,000 be put to-ward the purchase of infor-mation technology.
- The Town of Didsbury needs to complete some of the development require-ments in the Rosebud Industrial Subdivision. Council approved the awarding of the work to Roger Quantz and that the required funds of \$50,000 are charged to the Land Sales Contracted Service budget.

- A new agreement between the Environment Minister, and the member Towns of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission was approved for signing by
- Approval was granted to Trident Exploration for construction of a pipeline in the Right of Way north of the Lagoon at NW ½ 10-31-1-W5M.
- A Public Hearing will be held regarding the proposed Cat Bylaw 05-10. This hearing will take place on Tuesday, December 13, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.
- Council approved to put in a bid to host an AUMA (Alberta Urban Municipality Association) Off-Site Meeting to be held on August 24, 2006.

OPINIONS DITORIAL

More vandalism



Once again this past week-end, Didsbury was vandalized in several areas around town, and now innocent people are left to pay.

Culprits went into homes under construction and kicked in walls, broke win-dows, punched walls, and

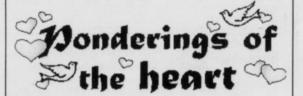
Bored kids with no morals? Sounds like it to me. Wit-nesses say they saw four young people running from

the scene...
This happened after 2 a.m.
Where are these kids' parents? Why aren't they at

I think kids need more to do around town, keep their minds and time occupied. Many kids are very involved in sports, but what about the rest, what are they to do with their time?

I think to solve the vandalism problem, we need to offer other suggestions to these teens, who are eager for something to do. Maybe we can help them stay out of trouble next time, and I bet a curfew would not hurt





by Margaret Fradley

"Duff"

Are we familiar with this term "duff"? Until recently I did not realize that this is the partly decayed organic matter of leaves and sticks that covers the floor of the forest. Now, the interesting part to me is that when this 'duff' is raked back we will find all sorts of life, tiny plants, insects, the soil is rich. Under the 'duff' there is a wealth of life. That is amazing to me.

Life is much like that, there are times, when we are faced with situations, expected or unexpected that deeply affect our lives. Decisions to be made, sickness to be dealt with; perhaps money issues, anxiety, or times of broken relationships or unforgiveness we have to work out. These are all major issues and take up much of our time and energy, but our God is at work in our lives to bring wholeness, healing and restoration. He is at work in the little things, beneath the surface of our lives, and when we allow Him to "rake" off the "duff" of our lives, the clutter in our lives begins to be cleaned away, we have our peace restored, and we can again think through those major situations which we face with more confidence, and newness of life is restored.

When we get discouraged or feel there are no solutions to our problems at that time, we can give thanks for what's under the 'duff'.

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR WILD ROSE. MYRON THOMPSON

How much is CWB paying **Liberal friendly lobby firm?**



Myron Thompson

Myron Thompson, Member of Parliament for Wild Rose was infuriated to learn of the Canadian Wheat Board's latest tactic to align itself as closely as possible with the Liberal government. This information came to light when Members of Par-liament received invitations to meet with representatives from the CWB next week on Parliament Hill.

"The Canadian Wheat Board has retained the services of Global Public Affairs to assist in its efforts to lobby the government. It is well known that this lobby firm is closely connected to Paul Martin and the Liberal gov-ernment," said Thompson. "The CWB has consist-

ently been spending more and more of farmers' money to ingratiate itself with the current Liberal cabinet. First we learned that David Herle, Paul Martin's former cam-paign chair, has been attending CWB Board of Directors' meetings. Then we learned that Reg Alcock's former campaign manager, Avis Gray, is receiving a salary from the CWB as the Senior Advisor for Government Relations. Now we see the CWB hiring a lobby firm, chock full of former employees from the Prime Minister's Office and various Liberal

Ministerial offices," stated Thompson.

At a time when farmers are facing the lowest grain prices in years, the CWB sees fit to spend farmers' money on a government lobby day? This is a govern-ment agency!" exclaimed Thompson. "The CWB has been increasing its non-marketing related spending and this is the last straw. Farmers can not afford this, nor do

they want it."
"I would challenge the CWB to publicly tell farmers how much it is costing them to hire this Liberal firm," said Thompson. "Farmers have not been asked if this is how they want their money spent. I'm sure they will be inter-ested to know that while the CWB is paying them the lowest initial grain prices in years, it can still find money to throw at prominent Liberals," concluded Thompson.



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Dear Humans:

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Button's Mom was looking for him that afternoon. She called and called his name. He heard her, but he lay dying on the ground because he had fatal bullet shot wound. He couldn't run home to safety. His Mom and Dad needed po-lice assistance to retrieve his

Sections 445 of the Cana-dian Criminal Code, written

in 1892 says: 445. Every one who willfully and without lawful excuse

(a) kills, maims, wounds, poisons or injures dogs, birds or animals that are not cattle and are kept for a lawful purpose, (etc.)

is guilty of an offence pun-ishable on summary conviction. (See also 446)

Where an accused is con-victed of an offence under subsection (1), the court may, in addition to any other sentence that may be imposed for the offence, make an order prohibiting the accused from owning or having the custody or control of an animal or a bird during any period not exceeding two

This "law" doesn't have a lot of "bite" but it does make pro-visions for dealing with unjus-tified animal killing cases. Bill C-10 was but one attempt to address the weakness of the Canadian Criminal Code. One of the reasons for the Depart-

ment of Justice's action was "mounting scientific evidence of a link between animal abuse and domestic violence and violence against people generally." (Reference: Covering letter to Crimes Against Animals, A Consultation Paper, Department of Justice, September 1998.) The newest incarnation of the bill, Bill C-50 most resputtered out in summer of 2005. This indifference to animal well being exists even though federal Justice minister Irwin Cotler, who introduced the most recent Bill C-50, said that the issue of animal cruelty is the issue that consistently draws the most public response. The feebleness of the law does not give one a "right" to kill family pets. In a country that would not even consider capi-tal punishment for serial sex

offenders who torture and kill

their victims, a family pet causing no real harm whatsoever

can be killed. The problem with

human logic is that it is so

illogical.
The Animal Protection Act defines an animal in distress as an animal without adequate food, water, care or shelter or an animal that is injured, sick, in pain or suffering, or is abused or neglected. Fines for negligent owners can be up to \$20,000. Unfortunately the provincial Stray Animals Act states that "The owner or the person in actual possession of livestock or domestic fowl or any person authorized by either of them may kill a dog in the act of pursuing, worrying or destroying that livestock or do-mestic fowl on land owned or occupied by the owner or per-son in actual possession of that livestock or domestic fowl." So that means you can't neglect to feed your dog, but your neigh-bour can shoot it - with impunity. And he might have no scruples about doing so. Hu-man logic again. Aside from the appearance of the federal and provincial legislations seeming to contradict, dogs have other concerns. What if the "farmer" doesn't actually have any live-stock - what then is the warrant for shooting a dog? No livestock means that there is no harassed livestock. In that case, we need to return to section 445 of the CCC. The act doesn't let you just shoot any-

What if there is no proof that a stray dog bothered any livestock, but just went on the land? Some dogs do bother cat-tle (not us!) but you can't just

assume that all dogs will. Why doesn't the burden of proof rest with the shooter? Do the slaughter rules apply to pup-pies, too? Doesn't it bother you just a little that as a dog owner you have no rights whatsoever regarding the well-being of your pet if you live near a gun-toting neighbour and the dog You are not "equal before the law" here. Many humans are pretty responsible where their dogs are concerned. see LETTER Page 10

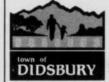


CAT BYLAW 05-10

NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Didsbury will hold a Public Hearing regarding the proposed Cat Bylaw on Tuesday, December 13, 2005 at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers.

Members of the public are welcome to ask questions and give input to members of Council and Administration regarding this proposed



The Town of Didsbury

is currently accepting applications for Town and Rural Community Members to volunteer as

Members-at-Large on the **Economic Development Committee**

Members who sit on this committee would help plan, facilitate and promote economic growth in Didsbury. The time commitment would be approximately 5 hours a month.

Interested parties may express interest/apply to:

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Parent Link is a new initiative of the Ministry of Children's Services. This program will provide Parent Education and Early Childhood Development and Care to families with children 0-6 in all communities of the Mountain View County.

- entation of programs within Sundre, Olds, Didsbury, Carstairs and Cremona Development, coordination and imple
- Supervision of Parent Link Facilitators Identifying gaps of service in individual communities Establishing relationships and building partnerships with common services providers in each community
- Locating appropriate program delivery space in each community

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We wish to thank all applicants; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted

PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

TOWN COUNCIL:

13, 2005 - Council Chambers, 7:00 pm

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Dec. 6th - Council Chambers, PUBLIC HEARING - Cat Bylaw

Dec. 13th - Council Chambers, 6:00 pm MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wed., November 30, 2005 - Council Chambers, 4:30 pm DIDSBURY LIFELINE SOCIETY

Monday, December 12, 2004 - Council Chambers, 10:00 a.m.

NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

The following Development Permits have been issued for the fo proposed developments:

*DP 100-05 54 Valarosa Drive Single Family Dwelling RI *DP 101-05 2034-19 Avenue Commercial - Change of Use C1

*DP 102-05 2149-25 Avenue Single Family Dwelling R2

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 – 19 Avenue or by calling 335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the Secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on **December** 6 2005.

Robert Wigg - Development Office

New committee to retain and expand businesses in town

by Tamara Collins

The Town of Didsbury is putting together a Economic Development Committee, whose purpose will be to work towards attracting new business, tourism, and entrepreneurship to town.

Such a committee did exist in the past, was eventually disbanded, and now the town feels the time has come to try again.

Two members of Town council will sit on the committee, but the rest of the seats remain vacant, waiting for the right people from the town to come forward.

"We are looking for

people from the community who have skills and knowledge to help us achieve the results we outlined," said Town interim CAO Roy Brown. "We want to work towards retaining the businesses we have and attracting new ones to town."

Brown says people with business expertise would be great on the committee, including homebased, which is an important part of the plan.

"A lot of huge businesses start from out of the home," said Brown. "An example of that would be the company Heinz."

If you would like to sit on this committee you are asked to write a letter of interest to Roy Brown, and let him know what you would bring to the committee, by Dec. 2.

You can send your letters to P.O. Box 790, in Didsbury. These are volunteer positions, and the committee itself will decide how often they should meet.

"We are also looking for a rural member," said Brown.

"We are hoping to have the committee formed by the New Year. If we get a good committee that really pounds the pavement by finding and meeting the needs, the community will be at an extreme benefit."

Didsbury Elks Install officers

submitted by Don Neal

The Didsbury Elks Lodge #514 installed a new slate of Officers on Saturday, November 19, 2006.

District Deputy
Bro. Keith
McKinnon ably conducted the Installation of Officers Ceremony assisted by
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Knight Bro. Bill
Ward and from
Okotoks Elks Past

District Deputy Bro. Rodger Blackwood. The officers installed

are as follows: Exalted Ruler Bro.

Jim Wadel;
Past Exalted Bro.
Ruler Brian Clazie;
Leading Knight Bro.

Bud Davies; Loyal Knight Bro. Fred Bishop; Lecturing Knight

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Membership Director Bro. Ian Stewart; Esquire Bro. Shaun Waite:

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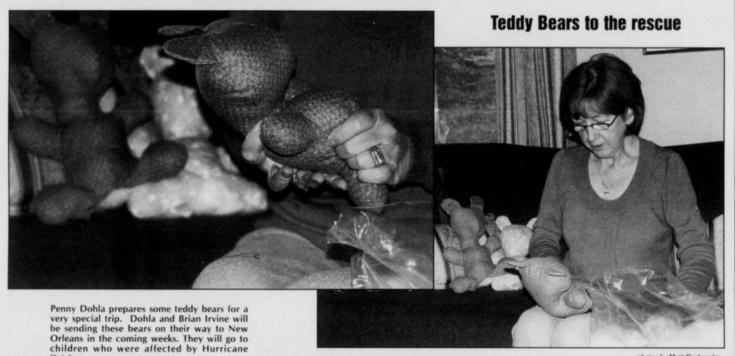
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Trustees Ron Townrow, Roy Parker and Ray Vipond.





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Didsbury focuses on crime prevention instead of intervention

by Tamara Collins

joint application for Didsbury, Carstairs and Cremona was sent to the Alberta Government to seek money through the National Crime Prevention Grant. Each community was given \$20,000 to go towards a Community Mobilization Program.

The three communities come together and formed a Partners in Crime Prevention program, aimed at crime prevention through social development, in other words, trying to stop criminal activity before it begins.

The goal is crime prevention instead of intervention, said Nicole Aasen, FCSS director. "Each community is its own special place with its own specific crimes. In Didsbury family violence, substance abuse, vandalism and youth related crimes are the big issues, according to people involved in this proc-

A Crime Prevention Coordinator was hired, under a one year contract, under the three FCSS groups, to as-sess what services should be offered, and what holes need to be filled. Katie Lutz was hired in October, so she will divide her time between the three communities, spending 16 hours a week in Didsbury, 12 in Carstairs, eight in Cremona, based on the size of each

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> -Nicole Aasen. FCSS director

"Katie will be meeting with agencies and business owners," said Aasen. "She will come up with a work plan, seminar ideas and a work program."

Programs, an example is a Family Violence Course, will start in the New Year. The programs will educate people to hopefully prevent them from taking a route of crime in their life.

A coordinating team has started meeting monthly to come up with a plan for each community. Included in this team are members of the RCMP, Didsbury Mental Health, Child and Family Services, faith community, business owners, Chinook

Arch Victims Services, and Family School Wellness workers.

"After one year we are hoping to see a decline in crime, even though one year is a short time to measure," said Aasen. "After that year we are going to put in another application for three years to continue the pro-

Other communities approved for this grant were Calgary and Edmonton.

"This is very special because we are small communities," said Aasen. "They were really impressed with our joint application, and that we are willing to share resources. They are going to spotlight our program throughout the year because it is so special."





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Dec. 2 is Didsbury's Country Christmas, including horse drawn wagon rides, turkey draws, and more

by Marge St. Clair

Thurs. Nov. 24

iors to Eldon Foote Hall at 1:00 p.m. for an afternoon of varied activities. Men are most welcome

Fri. Nov. 25

Come to the 5-0 Centre to play cribbage at 7:00 p.m. Coffee and goodies for all.

Sat. Nov. 26

The Annual Christmas Gift and Craft Sale sponsored by the 1st Didsbury Scouting Groups is being held in the MP Room at the Didsbury Complex from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Lunch is available. Pictures with Santa from 10 a.m. -11:30 a.m and 1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m. Please bring a non perishable food item as your admission.

Sat. Nov. 26

The Annual Christmas Pudding Tea, Bake Sale & Crafts Sale is being held from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. at St. Cyprian's Anglican Church from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Sat. Nov. 26

All Stamp Collectors will meet at the Library at 1:00 p.m. You can buy, sell or trade or come to learn more about collecting.

Sat. Nov. 26

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Are you in the Walking Program evenings from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at Westglen School? Phone Cindy at 335-9437 to register.

Remember to get your entries in for the Didsbury Mens Open Bonspiel start ing Mon. Nov. 28, evening curling through the week and all day Sat. Phone Barry 335-9807, Greg 335-8119 or the Curling rink

Mon. Nov. 28

Didsbury High School Band Society is having a Grey Cup Bottle Drive starting at 5:30 p.m. Your support will be duly appre-

Wed. Nov. 30

The Didsbury Golf Club is having the general meeting starting at 7:30 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. The Financial Report is on the agenda and election of officers for 2006. All members please try to

Starting Nov. 30, you are invited to take a short trip east of Didsbury to Gold Eagle Farm "D" Light. A village, rodeo scenes and much more await you from 6 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. nightly.

From the Didsbury overpass go 5 miles East, 3 miles North then 2 miles East and see how 24,000 lights have been arranged.

Fri. Dec. 2

The Annual Tea, Bake Sale and Crafts Sale is being held in Unit #3 dining room at the Didsbury Hospital from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. This is sponsored by the Didsbury Hospital Auxiliary, everyone welcome.

Come to Didsbury tonight celebrate "Country Christmas". There will be horse drawn wagon rides, turkey draws, visits from Santa and best of all, great shopping in all the stores. Contact Debbie at 335-3870 to rent a table for the minifair in the Elks Hall (very few left), go to the Train Sta tion (Eldon Foote Hall) where the Scouting Groups will be serving beef on a bun from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m

and cotton candy starting at 5:30 p.m. also.

Sat. Dec. 3 & Sun. Dec. 4

Bergthal Church is having an open house for the Nativity Display from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. On Sun. Dec. 4th - 9 p.m. On Sun. Dec. 4th viewing will be held until 3:00 p.m. after the morning Church Service.

The Annual Christmas Sale at the Carstairs I.O.D.E. Thrift Shop is be-ing held today from 10 a.m. 5 p.m. Something for eve ryone, baking, clothing and treasures, everyone

Sun. Dec. 4

Come and enjoy an evening of beautiful music at St. Stephen's Catholic Church when the Mountain View Choraliers present
"The Joyous Sounds of
Christmas". Traditional
Carols and Christmas Carols and Christmas songs, Sing Along! Lunch and refreshments to follow. Food bank donations will be gratefully accepted.

Tues. Dec. 6

Mountain Christian Women's Break fast is being held from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., upstairs in the Carstairs arena (across from the High School). "Christmas is for . Special Speaker -Giving". Special Speaker -Audrey Newby-Pierce. Spe-cial Feature - Christmas Hampers. Special music -Heidi Grasse.

Please phone Vicki 335-3500 or Margie 335-3765 to reserve your seat, reserva-tions should be honored, cancelled or given to a friend. Free babysitting is supplied by the Women's

Sat. Dec. 10 Theatre Didsbury will be stage at the Elks Hall with their new comedy "A Bench in the Sun". This is a dinner theatre, doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and the show starts at 8:00 p.m. There will be a repeat performance at a dinner theatre on Sat. Dec. 17 and both shows are already sold out.

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AltaLink is hosting a series of Open Houses to discuss the Edmonton to Calgary 500 kV transmission line project. In addition to AltaLink experts, the Alberta Electric System Operator and the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board have accepted our invitation to participate in these Open Houses.

November 28, 2 - 8 p.m. Rimbey Community Centre

November 29, 2 - 8 p.m. Winfield Community Hall

November 30, 2 - 8 p.m. Benalto Community Hall

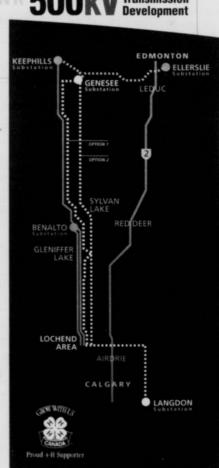
December 1, 2 - 8 p.m. Spruce View Community Hall

December 5, 2 - 8 p.m. Olds College, Alumni Centre

December 7, 2 - 8 p.m. Crossfield Community Centre

December 8, 2 - 8 p.m. Chestermere, Lakeside Greens Golf Course





Habitat for Humanity allows the impossible to become possible

by Shawne Mohl

If it wasn't for Habitat for Humanity Priscilla Anthony says she would have never been able to provide stability for her two young daughters, which her new home she moved into this ast weekend gives her and her

family, she says.

This past Sunday, November 20 the Anthony family, along with a house full of guests from all over Mountain View County took part in the first ever Habitat for Humanity Mountain. tat for Humanity Mountain View chapter, house dedication in the Village of Cremona. Many tears were shed, many smiles appeared, and most importantly a young family now has a beau-tiful new home to call their very

There is a common misconception about what Habitat for Humanity does. Many believe that the program is set up as a 'hand out' when really it's a 'hand up.' Habitat for Human-ity allows families who otherwise rould never be able to qualify for a mortgage and own their own home, make that dream become a reality

Each of the Habitat homes is built completely by volunteers, the land which the home is built on is generally donated or sold at a very low cost and many of the supplies and materials are also donated or else sold to Habitat at a reduced rate.

By having no labor costs and reduced costs in other areas this allows Habitat for Humanity to build a quality home for a fraction of the price – allowing them to pass these savings onto the lected family.

The selected family – in this

case being Priscilla's - will still be responsible to make monthly

mortgage payments.

The mortgage is interest free and is generally around \$60,000 - meaning that the family can eventually have their entire to call their very own. Some-thing which otherwise probably would have never been possible.

The mortgage payments are based on the individual's in-

come, but generally accounts for about 25 to 30 per cent of their income. Most Habitat for Hu-manity families, before moving into their new homes, were dishing out over 50 per cent of their

monthly income to rent.

The mortgage payments which Pricilla will start making

which Pricina will start making will go into a revolving fund which will held pay for other builds throughout the County. The local Mountain View chapter of Habitat for Human-ity is approximately three years ago, according to the chapters Vice President Kathleen Johnston.

Johnston says that it was apparent that there needed to be a local chapter in Mountain View County and says it's exciting to finally have their first house constructed and the fam-

ily getting ready to move in.
"It was clear that there was a need (in Mountain View County)," Johnston said. "Be-tween 17 and 19 per cent of the population of Canada are living in poverty - so the need was very clear.

Johnston says that this home which the Anthony family is moving into could not have been done without the generosity of so many people.

She explained that so many individuals stepped up to the plate to donate their time, their money, supplies, and other

"It was marvelous how many people stepped forward," Johnston said. "We still encourage everyone to contact us if they are interested in helping in any

One of the main things which was donated and was obviously critical was the land. The

Cremona stepped up to the plate when Habitat for Humanity were looking for a place to build their first home and donated 100 per cent of the land in the Village of

Construction of the home started on May 15 this year and wrapped up just days before the home dedication held on Sunday and despite standing before the new home in Cremona, Johnston says it's almost unbelievable to realize they got their first build

completed.
"It's kind of hard to believe we are standing here," she said. This family is very deserving of this home and we are happy we could help.

There were 15 applications for this home, of which the Anthony family was chosen.

Pricialla had to go through a number of lenghtly interviews which can cause a lot of stress, prove that she is a low income earner, and agree that she wanted to be a partner with the local chapter of Habitat for Hu-

Following the house dedica-tion Pricialla took the time to explain how she felt - which was almost impossible to do so with

"I am excited,estastic, over-whelmed," she said. "I don't know how to explain it. It's an awesome feeling."

When Pricilla found out just over two years ago that she was the family selected, she always fell off her chair because she practically forgot she had even filled out the application and

"I had applied and kind of forgot about it," she admitted. "You get busy with your day to

day life and I had kind of forgot

about it until I received the call."

Pricialla says that the reason she decided to fill out an application was because she felt if she was chosen it would allow her to offer stability and a more solid future for her two young daugh-- Tamara, 15 and Nichole,

"It's a solid future for my girls and stability has always been my main concern," she

The most overwhelming thing for Pricialla was that she now has a beautiful new home that was constructed especially for her and her daughters by complete strangers.

"It's just overwhelming that so many strangers would do this out of the goodness of their hearts," Pricilla added.

Fifteen-year-old Tamara says that her new home is something that she and her family will

"I know this house is not only one of my dreams but also my Mom's," Tamara said. "I know this is not only the best day of my life, but also my mom's and my sister's.

Habitat for Humanity has built more than 200,000 hom in 100 countries around the world. A new home is dedicated worldwide every 24 minutes. Habitat for Humanity Canada has dedicated more than 940 homes from coast to coast since its inception. There are cur-rently 67 affiliates in all 10 provinces and two territories, helping to eliminate poverty hous-

The next build is scheduled start in the Town of Sundre, after their town council stepped up to the plate and donated a parcel of land for the next home to be built on. The family has already been selected, after a total of 10 applied.

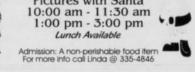
"Our goal has always been to build a home in each of the larger communities in the County - Olds, Didsbury, Carstairs, Cremona, and Sundre," Johnston added, saying that they are definitely headed in the right direction.

For more information on the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity or to volunteer you can either call 403.507.7994 or go to their website a www.mountainviewhabitat.ca.

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NEIGHBORHOOD

Remembrance Day Services

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank the Review for the coverage of the Remembrance Day Services at Westglen School on Nov. 10th, and at the Complex on Nov.

I would also like to

LETTER continued from page 5

What if in spite of what it is a pet goes a WoL. Why he can be used for target practice? Is there no room for basic decency? Why can some people pick up a shotgun instead of a phone? What if one of your children ran onto a dog shooter's property while trying to catch her dog? Success in killing seven dogs does not entail success in not killing someone running behind the taranimal or a geted

passer-by.
We are just little dogs. We love to run and play. We don't try to hurt anybody. If we get out, usually a friend just brings us home calls Mom and Dad. Don't you ever get out of your yard - and maybe step on your neighbor's property? Do you think that you should be killed be-cause of it? Dog is man's best friend, but man is not dog's best friend. Won't you help us?

Maybe you can call your MP Myron Thompson at 1 (800) 667-0410 or email him at Thompm1@parl.gc.ca to see why Bill C-50 failed in the Senate. Or maybe you can call the **Town of Didsbury** by-law-officer at (403) 335-3391 to find out why you can't park downtown for more than two hours at a time but it is apparently ok to discharge a ently ok to discharge a firearm 1.4 kilometers from the new High School. Call the County at (403) 335-3311. If you don't like the provincial legislation, maybe you can call your MLA Richard Marz at (403) 556-3132 and tell him 556-3132 and tell him about it.

Life is already ruff enough. We don't want to die; we just want to play. Who will be killed next?

Your faithful com-

panions, Fido, Sputnik and Ruggles

(Eli James)

thank the cadet Corps from the 3025 Didsbury R.C.A.C.C. for the Vigil they kept at the Cenotaph on the hill, Friday Nov.

They were there from a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

For those who are not familiar with military procedure, they stand with bowed heads and their rifles at the reverse position. After the Vigil, they rejoined the Corps, at the service at the Complex.

Master Warrent officer Lindsay Watson took the

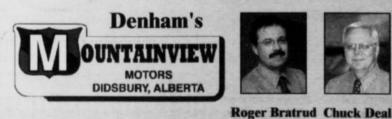
position of chairperson for the service as a last minute replacement & did an excellent job.

Many of the people at-tending remarked about

how well she handled it. I commend you young people for the fine exam-ple you are setting.

Joyce Mullen









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Unique gift ideas for Christmas

by Brad Linn

Have you ever thought about forking out money at Christmas for a unique gift such as piglets or a goat or a fish farm? What about a plough or clean water?

When surrounded by loved ones while sitting on a table stacked with golden turkey, mountains of mashed potatoes and enough sweets to make your eyes spin, it is difficult to imagine somebody going hungry – especially somebody from a foreign country on the other side of the world.

This year, if your budget allows, it is possible to help children and communities in the poorest countries in the world, without altering normal holiday habits.

World Vision has re-

leased this year's Christmas catalogue and Canadians can purchase meaningful gifts to help someone in need. The 2005 World Vision Gift Catalogue offers a variety of gift options from chickens, water buffalo, water wells or something as seemingly mundane as school supplies.

Emmanuel Isch, director of emergency response for World Vision Canada, said his team coordinates the placement of funds throughout the world, generated from Christmas catalogue sales by Canadians.

"We access the funding that allows our partners and our teams on the ground to do the emergency work," he explained, adding that the gifts from the catalogue are very practical and make a difference in the livelihood of people in desperate situa-

World Vision is an international Christian relief and development organization that works in more than 90 countries and provides help to more than 85 million people annually.

annually.

Dave Toycen, president of World Vision Canada said Canadians purchased approximately \$6 million worth of gifts last year; enough money to buy 75,000 gift items for those in need.

"I have the opportunity to

"I have the opportunity to see these gifts provide a meaningful change in the lives of children in the poorest communities," he said.

Isch said the gifts have multiple purposes.

"If we look at the animals, they add value in terms of nutrition, in the form of milk or eggs they produce, but they also generate extra income for the family," he said, adding seeds or fruit trees also help families financially.

Isch said his team identifies communities that need the most assistance and those in the communities give the gifts to families and individuals in the most dire conditions.

Isch said it is nice to buy gifts for people in these countries, but of course cash, also is appreciated.

"\$50 will help ship a thousand dollars worth of school supplies, so suddenly you have a school that is equipped with basic tools or it can help stock a clinic or health center," he explained.

Canadians can order

Canadians can order items through the Gift Catalogue and a gift card, which includes a photo and description of the gift item, is sent to the recipient acknowledging the gift. Groups can also obtain a Gift Catalogue kit so several people can fundraise to make a pur-

chase together.

"(There have been) innovative ways for people to raise money, either through schools or church groups,' said Isch, "Most people relate to the practicality of the items in the catalogue."

To get a gift catalogue call 1-800-268-5528.



The top gifts from last years catalogue:

- 1. Two hens and a rooster
- 2. Warm clothing for 25 children
 - 3. Supply a classroom
- 4. Harvest packs for four families
 - 5. Care packs for orphans
 - 6. Piglets

What's new this year?

- 1. Child-friendly spaces
 - 2. Ducks
 - 3. Immunization
 - 4. Moringa trees
 - 5. Water buffalos
- 6. Welcome packs for refugees entering Canada

Items most requested by field staff:

- 1. Chickens
- 2. Goats
- 3. Piglets
- 4. Cows
- 5. Oxen
- 6. Medical supplies
- 7. Warm clothing and shoes
 - 8. School supplies



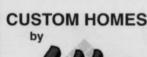
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Didsbury High School Music Society News

great performance in their first concert of the year, on Nov. 10. The groups three played were: the Grade Nine Concert Band, the Senior Jazz Ensemble and the Senior Concert Band. The song called "Loch Lomond" was played by the senior concert band and was introduced by Ian Paton. He gave a brief history of this Scottish song and discussed the Battle of Culloden. Then he surprised us all by singing the song for What a fantastic performance Ian, we

We also have a major fundraiser coming up on Monday, Nov. 28, the Grey Cup Bottle Drive. Starting at 5:30 students will be going around Didsbury collecting empties.

kilt and send you to the next Clan Gathering!

These concerts are free and open to the public. The next one will be held at Westglen Gymnasium at 2:00 PM on Sunday, Dec. 18. This is a Concert, Tea and Silent Auction. Dessert will be served and there will be many items to bid on at the silent auction.

The Jazz bands will be participating in a C E S D / C A D M E Jazzfest on Nov. 23 at the Zion Church. We also have a major fundraiser coming up on Monday, Nov. 28, the Grey Cup Bottle Drive. Starting at 5:30, students will be going around Didsbury collecting empties.
The DHS Band Soci-

ety is an active group that meets once month to pl plan fundraisers, organize concerts, discuss band trips etc. The next meeting will be held on Dec. 6, at 7:30 in the DHS Music Room. There will be a short meeting followed by refreshments. All parents of band students are encouraged to attend.

Dates to remember: Nov. 23 Jazzfest, Nov. 28 Bottle Drive, Dec. 6 7:30 PM Band Society Meeting, Dec. 18 2:00 PM Christmas Concert. Tea and Silent Auction.



bands performed on Nov. 10 at a concert held in the evening at

Have your say on

the South Saskatchewan River Basin Draft Water Management Plan

Limits on water resources have nearly been reached in much of the South Saskatchewan River Basin (SSRB). New ways of managing water resources are being proposed to meet the challenge of a sustainable future for the economy and the environment.

We're offering interested Albertans a chance to have their say at the following public consultation session:

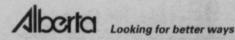
Calgary Tuesday, November 29

Inn on Crowchild 5353 Crowchild Trail N.W.

2:30 - 7 p.m. Open House with information display and staff available to answer questions.

7 - 9:30 p.m. Public Meeting where members of the community are welcome to share their views on the draft plan.

For a copy of the draft plan and background information, call toll-free 310-0000 then dial 403-297-6250, or visit environment.gov.ab.ca.







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ATM Machine

by Tamara Collins

Rosebud Run Sleddog Classic



Didsbury will be home to the first ever Rosebud Run Sleddog Classic on Jan. 7 and 8, an event that is expected to become a destination event for Travel Alberta in the future.

The event will feature ap-proximately 50 dog teams, two distances, a four mile and a six mile sprint race, and five different race classes

"We have already had a lot if interest in the race," said Dena Wannamaker, organizing committee. "We are getting teams from Saskatchewan, C. and maybe Montana." The trail for the race will

start and finish in the valley across from the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church, where the sign is posted.

Four dog teams will run the four mile distance, and six dog teams will run the six mile distance. John Bates, trail master, has been busy deciding where the trail will go, and then marking the route with survey stakes, as you may notice on Hwy. 582.

The race will go both days from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at the end trophies and prizes will be given out to the winners.

There is plenty of room for sponsorship from local busi-nesses. Presently Greg Poirier, manager of AG Foods, has gotten both Coke and gotten both Coke and Campbells to jump on the sponsorship wagon.

Through the months of Nov. and Dec. 10 cents from all 12 packs of Coke sold, will be donated to the run, and during the month of Dec. five cents from every can of Campbell's Chunky products or Chilli sold, will be donated to the event.

"The Chamber is very excited about this, it is a very unique event, nothing like this has been done here before," said Wannamaker.

"The trail is also very unique because spectators can see the start and finish, and most of the course from one spot. This is the only race in Western Canada like that."

The organizing committee has already had two tour buses contact them about coming to town for the event.

It is hard for the committee

to gauge, being the first year of the event, but they are expecting anywhere between 200 and a thousand spectators.

"It is a nice time of year to have the event," said Wannamaker. "It is good, free, family entertainment after Christmas.

For more information on the event you can visit the Didsbury Chamber of Com-merce website at www.didsburychamber.ca and click on the Rosebud Run link. "We are very excited, it is going to be a lot of fun," said

Wannamaker.

"We do need snow that week-end though, so if we don't get any we may be asking people to do a snow dance."

Grey Cup clean-up

The day after Grey Cup Sun-day, Mon., Nov. 28 the Didsbury High School Band Society will have their annual bottle drive, and go door to door in Didsbury from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., collecting empties as one of their major fundraisers for the year. Approximately 50 to 60 band members will take to the streets, and all the money that is raised that night, will go directly into the students

travel account.

"We prefer to do this as a fundraiser, instead of selling something," said Judy McKetiak, Band Society. "It gets the kids involved more in the community." Their other high fundraiser for the year is big fundraiser for the year is their Christmas Concert, which will take place at the school on Dec. 18.

For the first time, rural residents can be included in the bottle drive, they just have to call either Judy at 335-3254 or Kathy McNeil at 335-4428, to

set up for pick-up, or drop off. "Every student should have the opportunity to go on band trips," said McKetiak. "We want to make sure that students have every opportunity to fundraise for this.

There are presently 110 stu-dents in the DHS band, one third of the school's population. This year the grade 9 band is planning a trip to Nelson, and the senior band is planning to go to Seattle. "It is enthusiastic program, added McKetiak. If you will not be home the night of Nov. 28, you can leave your empty bot-tles outside, and mark on them DHS, and they will be picked up. The Band Society would like to thank you in advance for your support.



Remembering Bible School activity in Alberta



This Friday and Saturday, Nov. 25 and 26, at the Bergthal Mennonite Church outside Didsbury, the Mennonite His-torical Society of Alberta will host a program to remember Bible School Activity in the Province of Alberta.

The program is the school's contribution to the life and culture of the churches and the communities, in celebration of Alberta's one hundred year anniversary.

The events will start Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. with a guest speaker, Dr. Bruce Guenter, Trinity Western University, who has written a book on Western Bible Schools.

Activities will then start

again Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m.

"We are going to focus on students, the school's effect on them, their families and the church," said Henry Goerzen, organizer. "Students became as

educated as their parents, and so it would carry on in their families. Many students got to know each other while in school, and later married. They were not allowed to date while in school together."

The program will also take a look at curriculum, and each school's distinctiveness. During noon, there will be time for inter-active dialogue.

If you have any memorabilia from your bible school days,

u are asked to bring it along, this includes report cards, newsletters, brochures, text books, etc.

Dr. Bruce Guenter will conclude the day with his observa-tions at 2:30 p.m. following the workshops.

"Everyone is welcome to come, and it is all free," said Goerzen. "This is a great opportunity to celebrate, and have another look at what contributed to life in Alberta."



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Rodeo season comes to an end for **Dusty Roberts**

by Tamara Collins

Didsbury's Dusty Roberts competed in the Canadian Rodeo Finals, in the Novice Bareback competition, and took third overall, on Nov. 13 in Edmonton.

Roberts' scores were 69.0. 67.0, 69.0 and 70.0, beating overall winner Todd Shelton in one run.

"During the summer l was in third, and now I ended in third," said Roberts. "I did not do very good, I thought I would

Roberts won last year in the Finals, and was expecting the same results in this year's competition, but he feels he did not ride very good horses.

"I could have had first, but I can't complain," said Roberts. "I just kept getting beat by just a few points. Shelton had better rodeo horses than I did, but there are no hard feelings.

Roberts is pretty close with his competition, spend-ing most of his time each summer with them.

"I hang out with some good guys who really make it fun," said Roberts. "We are not really competing, we are all just there to ride the best we can."

In Feb. Roberts will go back to school in Texas where he is taking welding, and in May the rodeoing will start again for the year.



Rodeo season ends for Dusty Roberts, after he takes third place in the Canadian Rodeo Finals this month in Edmonton.

Military Training in Didsbury

This past weekend, Calgary Service Battalion conducted a military training exercise in town, starting at 7 p.m. Nov. 18, and ending Nov. 20 at 1 p.m.

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Cremona Lions Special Report

by Charlie Bird and Ken Naidoo

In Part 1 of this Report we began by giving an overview of Lions Club International, and then detailed the place of Cremona Lions Club in the scheme of things. We dis-cussed the aims of Lionism, membership, and some incipi-ent problems for clubs at We then went on to specify some particulars of work done by Cremona Lions up to early 2001 (Service, financial, and other). Up to that point we Lions in Cremona had donated at least \$172,000 for various causes, mainly within the Community.

Cremona Lions A Brief History

It all began about 35 years to. Walter Wearmouth, a member of the Bearspaw Lions Club, approached three individuals in the Cremona area in 1969 or 1970, in regard to the forming of a Lions Club in Cremona. Bob Dubois and Jack Bellamy were two of the three individuals contacted These in turn got in touch with some twenty others (the minimum number for the formation of a new club), thus forming the core of the new Cremona and District Lions Club. Bob Dubois was the first President and Jack Bellamy its first Secretary. The Sponsoring Club was the Didsbury Lions Club.

Since that time, Cremona Lions Club has in turn sponsored The Madden Lions Club and the Carstairs Lions

Most of the original Charter Members of the Cremona Lions Club have moved away from the area, or are de-ceased. The following Charter members are still with the club: Lionel Bird, Ben Grainger, Ron Hettinger, Ralph McKinnon, Darrell Newsome, Boyd Boyd Oborne, Bruce A. Roy, and

Doug Sherriffs. We congratulate these Magnificent Eight on continuing to be Lions members, and carrying on the tradition of Lionism with such verve and dedication.

We also owe a deep debt to those who worked so hard and who have since left the Cremona area to move on to new pastures. To them too we say well done!

We must not forget those others who have passed on. To them we say: You will remain in our minds and memories for all the work you have done in making this comparatively small club so recog-nized in spite of the small population base it has to work

Part 2 of this Report will elaborate on what the Club has done since the year 2001 up to June 2005.

Following this, we will address certain problems that are surfacing and which give us great cause for concern

such as falling membership. For starters, here is a list of donations made by the club since early 2001, placed within

Cremona and District Fire Dept. \$9,300; Stars Ambulance Services \$4,480; Material Needs Assistance (e.g. rial Needs Assistance (e.g. Olds Food Bank, Cochrane Activettes, Christmas Hampers, Santas Anonymous) \$15,063; Lions Eye Program, etc. \$17,165; Cancer Donations (Terry Fox Run, Breast Cancer Program, etc) \$2,800; Lions Youth Camp (Cremona) \$6,380; Local Education Programs (Scholarships, Band, Quest, etc) \$7,400; Medical Assistance (Ronald McDonald House, Individual Local cases, etc.) \$6,800; Dis-aster Relief (Tsunami), 12,200; Cremona Community Hall \$3,956.30; Cremona Curling Rink and Arena 5,200; Local Rink and Arena 5,200; Local Clubs (4H, Sports Aid, etc.) \$900.16; Miscellaneous \$12,754.83; Cremona Cem-etery \$4,882.17; Mountain View Seniors Housing \$7,000. The total for (2001-June 2005) \$116,731.46 Total to

(20 Years) \$172,642.93. Total for the past 25 years is \$289,374.39

On average, therefore, this amounts to about \$12,000 dollars of donations per year. In reality, the past five years have averaged some \$23,000 per year. It is an effort we Li-ons are proud of. Most of this has gone to local

But there is cause for great concern: In terms of membership, our numbers have steadily declined in the past few years. From a high of about 55, we have now dropped to an alarming 38. We feel that something drastic has to be done to stem the decline.

We know that Cremona and District can ill afford a 'lame duck' club. We recently computed the average age of our Club. It presently stands at just under 67 years. Two of our most senior members are just under 90 years of age! And they regularly put in their share of work at various Lions events. Our youngest Lion is a (comparatively) youthful 49 years. Many of our finest workers have some concern or other in regard to their health.

In spite of this, every single one of them pulls his weight when it comes to sharing the

work load. We have not hit the panic button as yet. But we believe it is time to tell it like it is. We need fresh blood in the Club. In no way is this intended to lessen our appreciation of the efforts of those who work so hard for the Club and Commu-We realize that many younger members of this com-munity (such as those in the 25-40 years' bracket) are too involved in raising their young families. In order to have a full life, both parents have to en-sure that their children have access to the fullest in education, the arts (music, etc.), and

sports (hockey and the like). Our recruitment efforts are not directed at this age group! But we would like those in the 40 plus bracket who have an interest in the well-being of this community to give very serious thought to joining the Cremona Lions Club. It is a relatively simple process to get to know how this could be

Perhaps this tabulation will

help: 1.The prospective appli-cant must have a genuine in-

terest in community work.

2. He must be prepared to give of his time in order to further the aims of Lionism. Lions do not need to make monetary contributions; It is a labour of

3. He may approach any Cremona Lion to learn what he must do to become a member of this Club. Oddly though, membership is by invitation

4. Intending members accompanied by their sponsors are allowed to attend three consecutive Cremona Lions Club meetings (supper, October to June) as non-paying guests of the club. In this way, ne will get to know how the club functions (Parliamentary pro-cedure for meetings, committees to facilitate the smooth running of day-to-day matters, etc.). At any time after the first meeting, the intending memof becoming a Lion. At that time, a secret ballot is taken. If successful, the applicant

becomes a Lion.
5. The sponsor usually works closely for about a year with the 'rookie' mem-ber, showing him the ropes. He is given a position on one of the committees that might interest him. In this way he is weaned into being a full dged member of his new

6. And if one thinks that being a Lions Club member is a 'dry-as-dust' affair, please think again. Every meeting is primarily directed at getting the job done. But there are many light-hearted moments to alleviate the seriousness of the task at hand. Just one: joke time is NOT to be missed. In more recent years, the portrayer of 'Billy' has truly excelled in narrat ing a series of jokes. In lat-ter years, the late Ralph Thompson, excelled in en-thralling his audience with the perfection that he evinced in many a detailed joke. Then there was Cliff Gillespie with his 'Marie' jokes told in his inimitable 'French' accent. And there were many others. So please

join, if only to come to meetings for the jokes (ha! ha!).
Cremona Needs You. The past record of this club speaks for itself. With recent yearly donations at times exceeding \$25,000 a year, Cremona can ill afford to wit-ness the demise of its Lions Club. To be perfectly honest, we do not expect to see a notice in the obituary col-

umns. But it is imperative that all residents in the Cremona area take note of the rapid decline, and help us to stem

We ask all well-wishers to come onside with the Club: talk to your friends and neighbours; twist a few arms; be persuasive; take prospective members on guilt trips. We think that you will be pleasantly surprised with the results you will achieve. We say Cremona can be a lighthouse in the darkness that seems to be the way society is going these days. We cannot rely entirely on funding by the various governing bodies. Some organization must occasionally pick up the slack until the wheels of government finally get going. This is where a Service Club like the Lions is so needed. generally try to take car of those individuals who fall through the cracks.

There is one very impor-tant point we would like to make: a prime candidate for membership must be one ho will stay the course. In other words, he must be pre-pared to work very hard at being a good Lion. And he can be assured of wholehearted support from his sponsor and other Lions members.

We hope that this FIFTH COLUMN of community members can make a difference in helping us to recruit much needed new blood. May they be successful in their endeavours. Our Com munity is relying on you. GO FOR IT!!!!!!!!!





Altalink proposes a series of high voltage powerlines

by Brad Linn

Rural landowners have united to oppose plans to construct power lines in central Alberta.

Altalink, a Quebec and Ontario owned firm, is proposing to build a series of high voltage transmissions lines and towers through a scenic corridor from Edmonton to Calgary

But over 3000 residents who own land through the stretch want none of it, and last week, took the first formal steps to protect this productive strip of land.

President of UPTAG (United Power Transmission Area Groups), Glenn Smith, a retiree living west of Didsbury, said it is important landowners remain

"Do not sign any agreement with Altalink or their representatives," he implored.

He is concerned about health risks, restrictions to farming around the transformers, compensation and decreased property value when the veins of power lines pump energy across his backyard.

The proposed towers are to run from Genesee substation, west of Edmonton, to Langdon, east of Calgary, with 500-kilovolts running through the lines.

Smith already has nine transmission towers tattooing his property for which he receives \$115 each, annually. This amount, he says, isn't enough, because the towers devalue his property and his ability to work around the lines is limited, noting a new John Deere combine's height exceeds minimum height restrictions allowed around the

"It's devalued our land al-ready," said Smith, even though the proposed changes are only in the planning stages.

We want the EUB (Alberta Energy and Utilities Board) to reopen hearings for landowners to have a fair hearing of what is involved and why they decided to run the power lines in this area," said Smith.

'We haven't had a fair hearing," he said, "We want to voice our concerns.

The Alberta Electrical System Operator (AESO), which is responsible for the economic planning and op-eration of Alberta's power supply, is attempting to upgrade the transmission sys tem by the end of the decade to avoid exceeding capacity. This involves more than doubling the voltage of the lines

to 500-kilovolts from 240kilovolts. AESO hopes to have the \$340 million project completed in 2009.

Neil Millar, vice president of transmission with AESO said we need new transmission lines for reliability rea-

"We need it to keep the lights on in Alberta," said Millar, adding the current proposal is deemed the best means of giving power to Albertans in this region.

He said that this route with the 500kV lines has the best combination of technical, economic, landowner and environmental impact.

In April of 2005, the EUB, which regulates utilities in the industry, approved the need to reinforce the Edmonton to Calgary transmission system to alleviate system constraints and improve system effi-

EUB spokesman Davis Scheremata said they are now waiting for Altalink to speak with landowners and come forward with an application to build a safe and reliable system to deliver the energy. He said the board any issues that arise with landowners will get worked out at the very early planning stage of the proc-

Scheremata said once Altalink submits an application to build, the EUB will have a hearing and groups that still have concerns will have the option to apply and become interveners so they can receive money to conduct research and prove their argument's validity.

"It has to be shown that there is a public health concern here. If research is tabled that this development is unsafe then we won't approve it," said Scheremata,

dicating with hard, clear facts there is a health concern - that is something that will carry huge weight, people just coming in saying they're against it, just because they're against it, weight." as much

He went on to say that "there have been numerous studies shown from energy field emissions and no conclusive link has been made for adverse health."

Mark Johns, director of conceptual engineering and sighting with Altalink, said they are conducting a series of open houses from the north-end to the south-end of the line for landowners and stakeholders to voice concerns.

"Landowners come up with some concerns and they are certainly heightened because of the size of the transmission lines," said Johns, "We endeavor to share as much info as we have.

The average height of a typical 500kV tower is 39 to 49m with the width at the top of the tower being 23m. The base is seven to 10m wide. There would be about 380m between towers or three per km. If the route next to existing 240kV lines, the towers will be positioned beside each other. About 60m of 'right-of-way' would be required if the line is located on a new crosscountry or quarter line route. Roughly 90m is required if the new line is next to an existing line.

"We've heard the annual structure payments are too low so Altalink has responded with an increase,' said Johns.

On average the fee for a tower is \$160 annually, now

a landowner will receive 70 per cent more than that sum and Altalink is offering market value for land purchased for the right-of-way access.

Glenn Smith said UPTAG's 3000 member's prime goal is to get these lines moved to a less productive area.

But Johns says it's about connecting the dots, which may be difficult on different

swaths of land.
"The majority of landowners don't want a 500kV line across their land," admits Johns, "The project connects Genesee to the Lock end area to Langdon. We are trying to find the best route that connects those three locations with the most reasonable cost and the least amount of impact.'

Altalink staff is still going door-to-door to meet with landowners, collecting data to tweak their proposal and allay any unease before applying to the EUB.

Any person who has any apprehensions pertaining to the proposed power lines must contact Alberta environment by Dec. 15.







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Stabbing suspect pleads guilty

by Dan Singleton

19-year-old man charged after a 16-year-old Didsbury girl was stabbed and wounded in a Didsbury alley in July will be sentenced February 13.

Jerry Joseph Aubut, of Didsbury, was scheduled to be tried on a charge of assault with weapon in Didsbury provincial court Wednesday.

However, when the case came up, Aubut pleaded guilty before Judge G.M. Meagher to the lesser charge of assault and the Crown withdrew the other charge.

The female victim, who cannot be named, was stabbed once in the back shortly after 2 a.m. on July 24.

She was taken from Didsbury to Foothills Hospital and treated for nonlife threatening in-

A second man. Evan Austin Sagert, 19, of Didsbury, faces a charge of possession of a weapon in the case. He goes to trial Feb.

Update from the Snyders

Dear family and friends,

If there was a theme for this week it would have to be FLIES.

We went to Mount Albert on Sunday morning and then to Markham in the evening. We then spent days with Elda several Harold and Knights in Stouffville. While we were with them we shared at a Bible study, with a group of friends and at a prayer meeting. We had a great visit with Harold and Elda, reminiscing about Nigeria and people we all knew there. It was also encouraging to see what is going on with their ministry. Our first fly story

happened at the Knights around mid-night. We had gone to bed and were all asleep when we heard a beep ing noise. Dan and Harold had been working on the thermostat. Harold had just gotten it for his birthday and was still figuring out how it worked. When I woke up I thought something was wrong with the thermostat. After listening to the beeping for several seconds, I nudged Dan and asked him if he knew what the noise was. He got up and found out that it was the fire alarm and it wasn't a drill. grabbed jackets, shoes and headed for the outside door. After shiver-

ing in the cold for a few minutes we went back into the entryway to get out of the wind and found several others waiting there as well. We found out that this has happened before, though not as late in the night. Flies get into the smoke detector and it goes off. The fire truck soon came and firemen began checking make sure that there really wasn't a fire. We soon were given clearance to go back into the apart ments. It took all of us a while to get back to sleep. I told Dan that I hadn't had that much 'fun" since I was in college and someone pulled the fire alarm at about 2:00 AM.

Wednesday night after prayer meeting we headed back to St. Jacob's. We figured that traffic through Toronto would be better at ten o'clock at night than in the morning during rush hour. As it turned out, there was rain and sleet in the morning so we were very glad we had gone the night be-fore. On Thursday we went to Shrigley church for their evening service. It is a small church with a long history. And here is the second fly story for the week. As Dan was speaking a fly started crawling on his neck. He hit it and killed it but it fell on the pulpit. He then had to flick at it several

times to get it off the pulpit. He did this while continuing to speak and without "losing a beat". I was impressed because I would have reacted much more strongly, but it hardly fazed him.

Dan called the Hungarian Consulate this week to find out what we needed to do to begin the process for getting our visa. We need a letter of invitation and so have written to SHARE for help with

that. Next week we go to the Missionary Health Institute to do our medical exam and will get the medical tests we need for the health certificate for the visa. Please pray with us regarding get-

ting the visa. We would also appreciate your prayers regarding our financial support. We were down below 80% of our needed support when we came home. Though support

doesn't increase with the change to Hungary, because of the higher cost of living, it is important that we have 100% before we go to Hungary. We know that the Lord is able to provide for all our needs so we patiently (most of the time) wait to see how He will meet this need as well.

Thank you for your prayers, Janet and Dan

MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY

County Subdivision and development appeal board filled

by Brad Linn

Council filled the position of the Subdivision and development appeal board and the weed appeal board after the resignation of the prior member.

Council accepted the resignation of John Lukacs who, in a letter, stated he has been busy look-

and the family business since the passing of his father in August.

He wrote in the letter, he "enjoyed being on the board" and he will miss everybody on council.

On Nov. 9, council made a difficult decision because of the number of quality applicants and appointed Ken Brown as the newest member of both boards.

Reeve Kemmere said Brown is the right man for the

"Council felt he was the one we wanted in," he

Brown will hold the position until at least the 2006/2007 organizational meeting.





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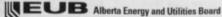
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VIDEO GAME REVIEW

Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban



Riley McGibney, the Didsbury Review's Video Game Review writer.

ESRB Rating: 7.5/ by Riley McGibney

Since the New Harry Potter game and movie are out, I thought it would be nice for a classic review. If you want to get a nice Harry Potter fix go check out this game. Well let me first say that there is NO quidditch in this game but don't worry for that is not a problem with all the surprises in this bundle of joy!

Graphics-7,5/10

This game has very good graphics and effects, but I'd expect no less from EA. Harry and his friends have a beautiful flow when you walk or run. The creatures that you will en-counter will blow you away, especially the proud Hippogriph! The characters look just like the movie cast and the overall levels are a little lighter than the others but it has a darker

I love the lighting effects especially when a "Dementor" is sucking your soul and killing Harry. It is definitely the best looking of the past Harry Potter games.

Story-8/10 Well J.K. Rowling wrote an amazing book and this game takes the story and takes away a little bit of the depth. Some things don't make sense unless you have read the

book and then it all makes perfect sense!

I love how the narrator is giving all the information that you need to know for the ultimate wizarding experience! Still, it would have been nice for a little more detail and even scenes from the movie would have been nice, I mean they did it for Lord of the Rings, why not for

Gameplay-8/10

The gameplay is almost the same as "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" but the swapping of characters shortens the amount of spells that can be assigned to the buttons. It was a good idea to give each of the characters their own personalities and different types of spells that can be cast by each of the three friends.

There is quidditch, but you are able to ride a Hippogriph, and it's a lot of fun to just go and zoom around the school grounds and

find all sorts of little additions that weren't needed at all, but make the experience all the more closer to the mov-

Sound-7/10

There is no more yelling when you cast a spell and the stuwandering around the school all say the same things most of the time. I like how when you're on your adventure, your pals will be talking about what you should do next and trust me, you will probably need their help at some point. Don't worry they don't spout things like "Come on, we need to open this door!

They say things to give you hints and clues about how to do things.

Hits: Now I'll talk about the things in the game that will make

you want it more! Personally I like flying around on Buckbeak hippogriph, see below), exploring Hogwarts and secrets, and having duels in the Great Hall! I don't want to spoil all the surprises in the game so I'll stop there.

Misses: This is where I'll talk about the bad things that are not in the game.

First off, there is no quidditch! Although there is the ability to fly on the half-eagle, half horse Buckbeak. It doesn't take too long to beat but with all the secrets you will want to play it more and more and again and again!

Also, there still aren't a whole ton a spells to cast and they are all the same from what we've seen in past Harry Potter games.

In conclusion Harry Potter and the P.O.A. is a great game and I would buy it if I were you! This is the (as I said before) Ultimate Wizarding Experience! I give it a 7.5, definitely go rent this game; it's a whole lot of fun.

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QUESTION: We have a very athletic junior-high school boy who loves every kind of physical activity. He gets most of his exercise in PE class every morning, but I happen to know that he doesn't shower afterward. The school no longer makes him or the other kids do it. When I was a student we were required to clean up after sweating in the gym. How come this is no longer considered neces-

DR. DOBSON: Like you, I was required to shower after every gym class. The coach would look us over to make sure we were clean before sending us on our way. Students who didn't shower didn't pass. But those days are just about over. The reason is because junior-high students are so sensitive about their bodies today that it is very painful for them to have to strip in front of one

They vary so much in development at that age that some are grown-up adults and others are still little pre-pubescent kids. It is nightmarish for the immature youngster to have to put his or her body on display in front of the wolf pack. They would tear him to pieces. Others feel fat or skinny or hairy or (fill in the blank). Increasingly, they resist having to take it all off in the locker room.

When I was a school psychologist, I met with a high school sophomore who absolutely refused to shower. His

recalcitrance violated district policy and I was asked to identify his problem. After talking to this boy and seeing how vulnerable he was to the ridicule of his peers, I agreed that he should not be required to humiliate himself five days a week. Twenty years ago, this lad was an excep-tion. Now, given the body-consciousness of our culture, his attitude is common.

Another factor is that coaches and teachers have be-come very leery of false charges of sexual abuse. Even if untrue, a person's entire career could go down the drain just by the suggestion that he or she was enjoying looking at the kids. This is another reason mandatory show-

ers in schools are being phased out.

The result? Teachers have to work in a classroom full of sweaty adolescents who smell like a gymnasium -

QUESTION: Some educators have said we should eliminate report cards and academic marks. Do you think this is a good idea?

DR. DOBSON: No. I believe academic marks are valuable for students in the third grade or higher. They reinable for students in the third grade or higher. They reinforce and reward the child who has achieved in school and act as a nudge to the youngster who hasn't. It is important, though, that grades be used properly. They have the power to create or to destroy motivation.

Through the elementary years, I've always felt that a child's grades should be based on what he does with what he has. In other words, I think we should grade according to children a low shill should be able to succeed in

ing to ability. A slow child should be able to succeed in school just as certainly as a gifted youngster. If he struggles and sweats to achieve, he should somehow be re-warded — even if his work falls short of an absolute standard. By the same token, gifted children should not be given A's just because they are smart enough to excel without

Again, the primary purpose in grading in the elementary school years should be to reward academic effort.

However, as the student goes into high school, the purpose of grading shifts. Those who take college preparatory courses must be graded on an absolute standard. An "A" in chemistry or calculus is accepted by college admission boards as a symbol of excellence, and secondary teachers must preserve that meaning. Students with lesser academic skill need not take those difficult courses.

To repeat, marks for children can be the teacher's most important motivational tool provided they are used correctly. Therefore, the recommendation that schools elimi-nate grading is a move away from discipline in the class-

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Didsbury Ag Society **Notes**

by Connie & Marge

 A registration package from AAAS for the annual conference was received. This conference is in Lethbridge Feb. 10 - 12/06. Please let Connie know by the end of Dec. if you wish

2. Should the ban be lifted on the 2% strychnine solution for controlling pests, mostly gophers? The Ag So-

mostly gophers? The Ag Society supports this.

3. Didsbury Survivor most successful event. Some suggestions came forth for

xt year.
4. Building Maintenance. Ken & Craig agreed to look after the grounds for the

5. Riding Memberships were discussed.

6. Year end Accountant -new rules discussed.

Nominating Comm. New Orleans Presen tation held at Zion EM Church Nov. 14th by Gord Krebs and members. 9. Tractor Pull Sled

10. Adjournment at 9:00

11. The next meeting is

Wed. Dec. 7th. The Annual General meeting will be held Jan. 5, 2006.

Olds Legion #105 Nov. Notes

by Marge St. Clair

Monthly General Meeting Tues. Nov. 22, nomina-tions and acclamations for

2. Grey Cup Party Sun.
Nov. 27. 2 Big Screen TV's.
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3. Seniors luncheon in the
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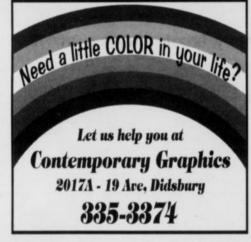
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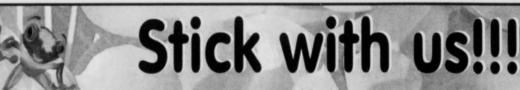
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Where do our hockey roots begin?

I talked to the most interesting lady this past Friday, and could have listened to her hockey stories for hours. (There's always a little bit of treasure when you take the time to ask someone about history.) As a relative newcomer to the community, I set out to gather some history on outh hockey in Didsbury This led me to Joyce Mullen. Didsburians are nodding now if they know Mrs. Mullen, having already been impressed by this feisty, sto-rytelling lady. In 1957, Mrs. Mullen

In 1957, Mrs. Mullen started up Cub hockey. Mrs. Mullen was the Cub leader in Didsbury for years. She wanted something for the kids to do in the winter, and having an interest in hockey, she talked to George Wilkins who let her have 2 hours of ice on Saturdays A smart lady, Mrs. Mullen, she understood that skating skill was key to the devel-opment of a good hockey orogram. She began with one hour of drill each Saturday, what you would now call power skating." She used Gordie Howe's hockey book as her guide. The sec-ond hour of ice time was used for shinny, hockey in its purest form.

There was no proper equipment, and no unnecesroughness allowed. She didn't allow slap shots be-cause her goalies were small and she could often be heard repeating "use the wrist shot!" At one point Mrs. Mullen had 51 youth in-volved in her Cub hockey program. Everybody played, and when the whistle blew, the lines changed. She laughed as she described the variety of players and skat ers on the ice.

Many players went on to higher levels of hockey out-side of the program, while

side of the program, while others skated on their ankles and used their sticks to hold them up.

"We didn't do to badly", she said, "and I enjoyed it, I really did." Usually the Cubs were divided up and played against each other. Then there were the occa-

sions when the Cubs would play a team from out of town. Mrs. Mullen described in detail a game against the Tri- City Champs from Calgary who traveled out to Didsbury, eager to get some ice time. Mrs. Mullen agreed to play them but only if they played by her rules, Cub rules. "Everybody plays," she declared. "No-one sits on the bench. You can't score on a slap shot, and the goalie is allowed to drop on

positive is an experience of the puck."

"We held those guys 1-0 after 3 periods of play," she after 3 periods of play," she could picture the game as she described it. What fun it must have been! What fun she instilled in the game and in those Cubs that played. And that's the bottom line, isn't it? Here is an amazing lady who set out to create opportunity for the youth, an opportunity open to everyone willing to play by the rules. And in that opportunity to have fun, there lay a foundation for personal skill development, team development, and life-long friendships. In this Minor Hockey and Cub Hockey are similar. Mrs. Mullen proudly pointed out "that many of the fine coaches that have been involved in Minor hockey were my Cubs!" And were my Cubs!" And through these coaches, her legacy continues. you Mrs. Mullen! Thank

In play this week:

Tyke 1 won on Sunday as they had a solid effort against Cremona, in Didsbury.

Tyke 2 played two games this past weekend. On Saturday, they traveled to Bowden to enjoy a strong win. Sunday, at home, they lost to Chestermere. Last Sunday the team successfully defeated Sundre

Novice took part in a tournament in Sundre over the weekend, winning all their games.

Atoms played at home and away versus Chestermere.

Lightning Defeat Camrose

The Rocky Mountain Lightning trounced the Camrose Kodiaks in Midget AAA hockey ac-tion this weekend in Camrose. After an injury plagued losing streak, the Lightning were back to nearly full strength this weekend and gained a decisive 6-3 victory over the Kodiaks. In first over the Kodiaks. In first period play the Kodiaks gained the advantage with a late power play goal, ending the period 1-0 Kodiaks. Lightning's Jonathan Lefebyre was the first to answer back

in the second, followed by 2 goals by Matt Williams to end the second period 3-2 Lightning. In the third it was all Lightning as David Courtney, Mike Arnold and Jonathan Lefebvre each notched one, leaving the final score 6-3 Lightning. According to coach Darcy Austin this was one of the team's best games for fin-ishing their checks. "The boys were taking the puck to the net much better in this game," quotes Austin. "And having Courtney back in the line-up really helped in moving the puck up the in moving the puck up the

ice." The team had some chances to put the Kodiaks away in the second but couldn't capitalize, but they came out hard in the third and it

The Lightning are back on the road next weekend where they play a double header in Fort St. John and then a stop in Grande Prairie on the home trip. Next home game action is on Friday, December 2 when the Lightning take on the Kodiaks again at 8:00

On Saturday, the Ramblers were easily defeated at Chestermere, 13-4. Sunday, at home, the Atoms proved to be a more challenging match, tieing the game 6-6 with 21 seconds left in the third period.

Pee Wees lost at home on Saturday to Oyen, 6-2. On Sunday, the Pee Wees traveled to Drumheller to play the Tier 2 team, resulting in a loss 7-5.

Bantams traveled to High Country with only 9 skaters on Saturday. They suffered a loss, 8-4. Sunday's home game provided all the intensity of hockey at its best. With .4 seconds left in the game, the Ramblers scored the win over Oven, 5-4.

Midgets won one and lost won on the weekend. They battled hard and won 7-6 against Vulcan Saturday night and lost 5-3 on Sunday to High Country, even though they outplayed the opposition for the majority of the game.

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December 2-4, 2005 Atom Home Tournament

Once a Grizzly always a Grizzly

by Barry Williams

For four years, Aaron Sept was a stalwart player for the Olds Grizzlys.

And with his junior hockey playing days behind him, Sept has decided to give something back to the ganization who believed in him as a player and as a per son. Sept is now an assist-ant coach with the Grizzlys and he believes he can make a difference with the current players by teaching them what he learned as a player and by relating to them the life experiences of being a Junior A hockey

player. "When I was a player "When I was a player with the Grizzlys, the organization and the entire community treated me well," said Sept.

"Because the people were so good to me when I played here, it made the decision of

giving something back to the community very easy for me," Sept noted, indicating he is proud to be associated with the Grizzlys again.

"It is one of those things I will never regret and I hope I can be involved for years to come," Sept said.

"By helping out as an as sistant coach, is my way of giving something back to the Grizzlys and I guess say-ing thanks to them for giving me the opportunity of playing in Olds," Sept said. An AJHL all-star, Sept

was an offensive minded player comfortable playing along the blue line and at times taking a turn on the forward line.

His dedication to the game and volunteering to assist the community earned him the prestigious Stuey Stewart award, an honor he

is very proud of.

As a player, Sept had an astute mind for the game and he always strived to learn more in an effort to make him a better player. For most of his career here in Olds, Sept played for Garry VanHereweghe and he feels the knowledge he gained from the former AJHL Coach of the Year will make him a better coach.

"I looked up to him (VanHereweghe), he's a great coach and I just hope I can be as good as he is." can be as good as he is, Sept added.

"Everytime he (VanHereweghe) has a team the players respect him and because of this they are go-ing to work as hard as they

can," Sept added.
"And he always respects his players," Sept said.
"If there is one thing I

can relate to the players is to respect the coaching staff and their teammates,"

Sept indicated.
In AJHL action this past week, the Grizzlys picked up three out of a possible four points by defeating the Drayton Valley Thunder 1-0 on Nov. 15 in Olds and losing a 4-3 overtime encoun-ter to the Okotoks Oilers in Okotoks on Nov. 18.

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On behalf of my family I want to thank everyone for their kindness & support following the sudden death of my husband George.

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Her future looks promising. Heavy Equipment Operators like Norma top a long list of critically needed skilled workers for the up oil and gas industry. There's a looming shortage of labour that'll require at least 8,600 new workers in the oil sands alone by 2012.

The numbers are part of an intensive study by the Petroleum Human Resources Council of Canada first released in 2003. The Council is now actively working to match industry needs with education providers. "We interviewed employers and asked them questions like what they're looking for, and how well are the education providers meeting their requirements." says Cheryl Knight, Executive Director and CEO.

Driving a three-story high Caterpillar truck can be daunting at first, but so can looking for a new trade. Knight says the Council understands and

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A Safe Home for Caribou to Roam



When ConocoPhillips Canada and Suncor Energy Inc. needed to build a 102-kilometre oil pipeline through the Little Smoky region of Alberta, they knew it would pass through threatened caribou habitat.

So they chose a route where more than 90 per cent of the pipeline would follow existing roads and cuttines and then committed \$1.2 million to restore 400 kilometres of historic cutlines in the area. Past timber harvesting and other industry activities fragmented the land, which has contributed largely to the caribou's official threatened status.

"The support of ConocoPhillips Canada and Suncor Energy has been relevant and consistent," says Pat Cabezas, Program Manager for the Alberta Caribou Committee. The Committee includes government, industry and academic partners who integrate industrial activities with conservation of caribou and their habitat.

"Both companies have been involved not only in our research subcommittee but their involvement in our steering committee has had a positive influence on management of the industrial impact on caribou habitat in the province." The Suncor ConocoPhillips restoration project was in consultation with other land users such as trappers and the forestry industry as well as government, recreational users and, critically important, wildlife scientists from the Biological Sciences and Renewable Resources Departments from the University of Alberta (U of A).

Caribou habitat recovery is crucial, especially in northern Alberta, where there are only 2,500 to 4,200 caribou left. The Little Smoky herd is estimated at between 60 to 100 animals and appears to be in constant decline. Recovery solutions include planting pine and spruce trees to make it more difficult for wolves to travel on cutlines and prey on caribou. The companies are also working with the U of A to establish ways to monitor wolf tracks found on cutlines

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GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

is now accepting registrations for 2005-2006 school year. This non-profit organization offers educational and social programming for children 3 to 5 years old For information or to register your child, please call: Cherrie 335-8818 or 335-

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INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday mornings of each month 10 a.m. Olds Scout Hall. Phone 556-3807 for information.

DIDSBURY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC

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Hall Rental

To rent Rosebud Hall, please call 335-1969.

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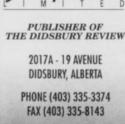
preserve these magnificent animals in their natural environment, Meetings are the first Tues. of every month at Olds Cow Palace, 8 p.m. Call Doreen at 556-6167 for more information.

MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-

Sundre Toastmasters Meetings every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Sundre. Call Sue at 335-9477 for more information.

Mountain View Sheep Producers Meetings on the first Monday of each month from October to June, at 7:30 p.m. in Olds. Call Sue at 335-9477 for more information.



DIDSBURY

5-0 Club Hall Rentals For hall rentals &/or info regarding the hall please call Bea Niedersteiner 335-3058

Citizens on Patrol Didsbury/Carstairs. Driving in a neighbourhood near you. To volunteer call

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To rent Mountain View Community Hall for meetings, community events, family or group reunions call John 335-8860

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